

# Bridegroom

# Orthros

*of Great and Holy Tuesday  
sung on Monday Evening  
by anticipation*

Priest: Blessed is our God always, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

Priest: Glory to thee, our God, Glory to thee.

O Heavenly King, O Comforter, the Spirit of truth, who art in all places and fillest all things, Treasury of good things and Giver of life; Come and dwell in us and cleanse us from every stain, and save our souls, O gracious Lord.

People: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us. (THRICE)

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All-holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord, cleanse us from our sins. Master, pardon our iniquities. Holy God, visit and heal our infirmities for Thy Name's sake.

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Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Priest: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory: of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen. (Choir continues)

Lord, have mercy. (12 times in the following pattern)

*Lord, have mercy. (3x), Kyrie Eileison (3x), Yarabourham (3x), Gospodi po mi loui (3x)*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

O, Come let us worship and fall down before God, our King.

O, Come let us worship and fall down before Christ our King and our God.

O, Come let us worship and fall down before Christ himself, our King and our God.

# The Royal Psalms

*(some traditions **intone** the psalms for the duration of the priest censuring and then return to plain reading)*

## Psalm 19

May the Lord hear thee in the day of tribulation: may the name of the God of Jacob protect thee. May he send thee help from the sanctuary: and defend thee out of Sion. May he be mindful of all thy sacrifices: and may thy whole burnt offering be made fat. May he give thee according to thine own heart; and confirm all thy counsels. We will rejoice in thy salvation; and in the name of our God we shall be exalted. The Lord fulfill all thy petitions: now have I known that the Lord hath saved his anointed. He will hear him from his holy heaven: the salvation of his right hand is in the powers. Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will call upon the name of the Lord our God. They are bound, and have fallen, but we are risen, and are set upright. O Lord, save the king: and hear us in the day that we shall call upon thee.

## Psalm 20

In thy strength, O Lord, the king shall joy; and in thy salvation he shall rejoice exceedingly. Thou hast given him his heart's desire: and hast not withholden from him the will of his lips.

For thou hast prevented him with blessings of sweetness: thou hast set on his head a crown of precious stones. He asked life of thee: and thou hast given him length of days for ever and ever. His glory is great in thy salvation: glory and great beauty shalt thou lay upon him. For thou shalt give him to be a blessing for ever and ever: thou shalt make him joyful in gladness with thy countenance. For the king hopeth in the Lord: and through the mercy of the most High he shall not be moved. Let thy right hand be found by all thy enemies: let thy right hand find out all them that hate thee. Thou shalt make them as an oven of fire, in the time of thy anger: the Lord shall trouble them in his wrath, and fire shall devour them. Their fruit shalt thou destroy from the earth: and their seed from among the children of men. For they have intended evils against thee: they have devised counsels which they have not been able to establish. For thou shalt make them turn their back: in thy remnants thou shalt prepare their face. Be thou exalted, O Lord, in thy own strength: we will sing and praise thy power.

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Choir: Amen.

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance, granting to Thy people victory over all their enemies, and by the power of Thy Cross preserving Thy commonwealth.

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.*

Do Thou, Who of Thine own good will wast lifted up upon the Cross, O Christ our God, bestow Thy bounties upon the new Nation which is called by Thy Name; make glad in Thy might those who lawfully govern, that with them we may be led to victory over our adversaries, having in Thine aid a weapon of peace and a trophy invincible.

*Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

O Champion dread, who canst not be put to confusion, despise not our petitions, O good and all-praised Theotokos; establish the way of the Orthodox; save those who have been called upon to govern us, leading us all to that victory which is from heaven, for thou art she who gavest birth to God and alone art blessed.

## THE EKTENIA

Priest: Have mercy on us, O God, according to thy great goodness, we pray thee: hearken and have mercy.



Priest: Again we pray for all pious and Orthodox Christians.

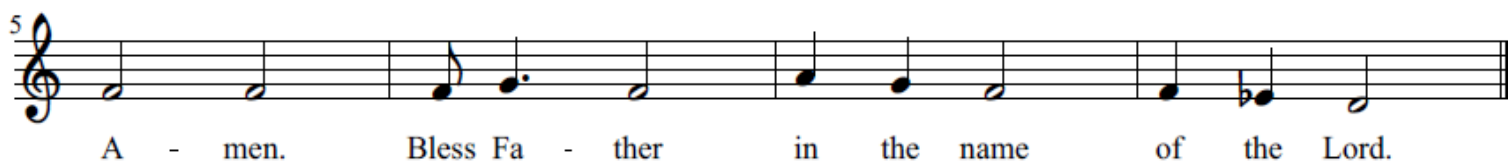


Priest: Again we pray for our father and Metropolitan Joseph, our Bishop Basil and all our brethren in Christ.



Priest: For thou art a merciful God and lovest mankind, and unto thee we ascribe glory: to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages.





Priest: Glory to the holy, consubstantial, life-giving and undivided Trinity, always; now and ever, and unto ages of ages.



Reader: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will among men. (thrice)

O Lord, thou shalt open my lips, and my mouth shall declare thy praise. (twice)

### PSALM 3

O Lord, how are they increased that afflict me! Many are they that rise up against me. Many there be which say unto my soul: There is no salvation for him in his God. But Thou, O Lord, art a shield for me, my glory, and the lifter up of my head. I cried unto the Lord with my voice, and He heard me out of His holy mountain. I laid me down and slept; I awoke, for the Lord sustained me. I will not be afraid of ten thousands

of people, that have set themselves against me round about. Arise, O Lord, save me, O my God, for Thou hast smitten all who without cause are mine enemies; the teeth of sinners hast Thou broken. Salvation is of the Lord, and Thy blessing is upon Thy people.

*I laid me down and slept; I awoke, for the Lord sustained me.*

### PSALM 37

O Lord, rebuke me not in Thine wrath, nor chasten me in Thy hot displeasure. For Thine arrows are fastened in me, and Thou hast laid Thy hand heavily upon me. There is no soundness in my flesh because of thine anger; and there is no peace in my bones in the face of my sins. For mine iniquities are risen higher than my head; as a heavy burden they are too heavy for me. My wounds stink and are corrupt because of my foolishness. I have been wretched and utterly bowed down until the end; I go mourning all the day long. For my loins are filled with loathsome disease: and there is no healing in my flesh. I am afflicted and humbled exceedingly, I have roared from the groaning of my heart. O Lord, before Thee is all my desire, and my groaning is not hid from Thee. My heart is troubled, my strength hath failed me; and the light of mine

eyes, even this is not with me. My friends and my neighbors stand aloof from my sore; and my nearest of kin stand afar off. And they also that seek after my life lay snares for me, and they that seek evils for me speak mischievous things, and imagine deceits all the day long. But as for me, like a deaf man I heard them not, and was as a speechless man that openeth not his mouth. And I became as a man that heareth not, and that hath in his mouth no reproofs. For in Thee have I hoped, O Lord; Thou wilt hearken unto me, O Lord my God. For I said: Hear me, Lest otherwise they should rejoice over me: when my foot slippeth, they magnify themselves against me. For I am ready for scourges, and my sorrow is continually before me. For I will declare mine iniquity, and I will take heed concerning my sin. But mine enemies live and are made stronger than I, and they that hated me unjustly are multiplied. They that render me evil for good slandered me, because I pursued goodness. Forsake me not, O Lord my God, depart not from me. Make hast to help me, O Lord of my salvation. Forsake me not, O Lord my God, depart not from me. Make haste to help me, O Lord of my salvation.

## PSALM 62

O God, thou art my God, unto Thee I rise early at dawn. My soul hath thirsted for Thee; how often hath my flesh longed after Thee in a land barren and untrodden and unwatered. So in the sanctuary have I appeared before Thee to see Thy power and Thy glory. For Thy mercy is better than life; my lips shall praise Thee. So shall I bless Thee in my life, and in Thy name will I lift up my hands. As with marrow and fatness let my soul be filled, and with lips rejoicing shall my mouth praise Thee: when I remember thee upon my bed, and meditate on thee in the night watches. For Thou art become my helper; in the shelter of Thy wings will I rejoice. My soul hath cleaved after Thee; Thy right hand hath been quick to help me. But as for these, in vain have they sought after my soul; they shall go into the nethermost parts of the earth, they shall be surrendered unto the edge of the sword; portions for foxes shall they be. But the king shall be glad in God, everyone shall be praised that sweareth by Him; for the mouth of them is stopped that speak unjust things.

At the dawn I meditated on Thee. For Thou art become my helper; in the shelter of Thy wings will I rejoice. My soul hath

cleaved after Thee; Thy right hand hath been quick to help me.  
*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both  
now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Glory to Thee, O God. (THRICE)  
Lord, have mercy. (THRICE)

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.*

### PSALM 87

*Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

O Lord God of my salvation, by day have I cried and by night  
before Thee. Let my prayer come before Thee, bow down Thine  
ear unto my supplication, for filled with evils is my soul, and  
my life unto Hades hath drawn nigh. I am counted with them  
that go down into the pit; I am become as a man without help,  
free among the dead, like the bodies of the slain that sleep in  
the grave, whom Thou rememberest no more, and they are cut  
off from Thy hand. They laid me in the lowest pit, in darkness  
and in the shadow of death. Against me is Thine anger made  
strong, and all Thy billows hast Thou brought upon me. Thou  
hast removed my friends afar from me; they have made me an  
abomination unto themselves. I have been delivered up, and

have not come forth; mine eyes are grown weak from poverty. I have cried unto Thee, O Lord, the whole day long; I have stretched out my hands unto Thee. Nay, for the dead wilt Thou work wonders? Or shall physicians raise them up that they may give thanks unto Thee? Nay, shall any in the grave tell of Thy mercy, and of Thy truth in that destruction? Nay, shall Thy wonders be known in that darkness, and Thy righteousness in that land that is forgotten? But as for me, unto Thee, O Lord, have I cried; and in the morning shall my prayer come before Thee. Wherefore, O Lord, dost Thou cast off my soul and turnest Thy face away from me? A poor man am I, and in troubles from my youth; yea, having been exalted, I was humbled and brought to distress. Thy furies have passed upon me, and Thy terrors have sorely troubled me. They came round about me like water, all the day long they compassed me about together. Thou hast removed afar from me friend and neighbor, and mine acquaintances because of my misery.

O Lord God of my salvation, by day have I cried and by night before Thee. Let my prayer come before Thee, bow down Thine ear unto my supplication.

## PSALM 102

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all that He hath done for thee, Who is gracious unto all thine iniquities, Who healeth all thine infirmities, Who redeemeth thy life from corruption, Who crowneth thee with mercy and compassion, Who fulfilleth thy desire with good things; thy youth shall be renewed as the eagle's. The Lord performeth deeds of mercy, and executeth judgment for all them that are wronged. He hath made His ways known unto Moses, unto the sons of Israel the things that He hath willed. Compassionate and merciful is the Lord, long-suffering and plenteous in mercy; not unto the end will He be angered; neither unto eternity will He be wroth. Not according to our iniquities hath He dealt with us, neither according to our sins hath He rewarded us. For according to the height of heaven from the earth, the Lord hath made His mercy to prevail over them that fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath He removed our iniquities from us. Like as a father hath compassion upon his sons, so hath the Lord had compassion upon them that fear Him; for He knoweth whereof we are made, He hath remembered that we

are dust. As for man, his days are as the grass; as a flower of the field, so shall he blossom forth. For when the wind is passed over it, then it shall be gone, and no longer will it know the place thereof. But the mercy of the Lord is from eternity, even unto eternity, upon them that fear Him. And His righteousness is upon sons of sons, upon them that keep His testament and remember His commandments to do them. The Lord in heaven hath prepared His throne, and His kingdom ruleth over all. Bless the Lord, all ye His angels, mighty in strength, that perform His word, to hear the voice of His words. Bless the Lord, all ye His hosts, His ministers that do His will. Bless the Lord, all ye His works, in every place of His dominion. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

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### PSALM 142

O Lord, hear my prayer, give ear unto my supplication in Thy truth; hearken unto me in Thy righteousness. And enter not into judgment with Thy servant, for in Thy sight shall no man living be justified. For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath humbled my life down to the earth. He hath sat me in darkness as those that have been long dead, and my spirit



within me is become despondent; within me my heart is troubled. I remembered days of old, I meditated on all Thy works, I pondered on the creations of Thy hands. I stretched forth my hands unto Thee; my soul thirsteth after Thee like a waterless land. Quickly hear me, O Lord; my spirit hath fainted away. Turn not Thy face away from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit. Cause me to hear Thy mercy in the morning; for in Thee have I put my hope. Cause me to know, O Lord, the way wherein I should walk; for unto Thee have I lifted up my soul. Rescue me from mine enemies, O Lord; unto Thee have I fled for refuge. Teach me to do Thy will, for Thou art my God. Thy good Spirit shall lead me in the land of uprightness; for Thy name's sake, O Lord, shalt Thou quicken me. In Thy righteousness shalt Thou bring my soul out of affliction, and in Thy mercy shalt Thou utterly destroy mine enemies. And Thou shalt cut off all them that afflict my soul, for I am Thy servant.

O Lord, give ear unto my supplication and enter not into judgment with Thy servant. (TWICE)

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*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

*Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Glory to Thee, O God. (THRICE)  
O our God and our Hope, glory to Thee!*

## THE GREAT LITANY

Deacon: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir:



Deacon: For the peace from above, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir:



Deacon: For the peace of the whole world, for the good estate of the Holy Churches of God, and for the union of all men, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir:



Deacon: For this Holy House, and for those who with faith, reverence, and fear of God, enter therein, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir:



Deacon: For our father and Metropolitan JOSEPH, for our Bishop BASIL, for the venerable Priesthood, the Diaconate in Christ, for all the clergy and the people, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir:



Deacon: For Metropolitan Paul, Archbishop John, and for their quick release from captivity and safe return, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir:



Deacon: For the President of the United States, for all civil authorities, and for our Armed Forces everywhere, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir:



Deacon: For this city, and for every city and land, and for the faithful who dwell therein, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir:



Deacon: For healthful seasons, for abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir:



Deacon: For travelers by sea, by land, and by air; for the sick and the suffering; for captives and their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir:



Deacon: For our deliverance from all tribulation, wrath, danger, and necessity, let us pray to the Lord.

Choir:



Deacon: Help us; save us; have mercy on us; and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.

Choir:



Deacon: Calling to remembrance our all-holy, immaculate, most blessed and glorious Lady Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the Saints: let us commend ourselves and each other, and all our life unto Christ our God.

Choir:



Priest: For unto Thee are due all glory, honor, and worship: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever and unto ages of ages.



Choir:

## ALLELUIA VERSES

(Tone 8)

Chanter: My spirit seeks thee early in the nightwatches, for thy commandments are a light on the earth. *(sing Refrain)*

Chanter: Learn righteousness, ye that dwell upon the earth. *(sing Refrain)*

Chanter: Zeal shall seize upon an untaught people, and now, fire shall devour the adversaries. *(sing Refrain)*

Chanter: Bring more evils upon them, O Lord, bring more evils upon those who are glorious upon earth. *(sing Refrain)*

Tone 8 Kazan

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

# Behold the Bridegroom

hazari

Be - hold the bride-groom com - eth at mid - night, and bless-ed

is the ser - vant whom he shall find a - wake. But he whom he shall

find ne-glect - ful is ver - i - ly un - worth - y. Be - hold

there-fore, my soul, be -ware, lest thou fall - est in-to deep

slum - ber, and the door of the king - dom be closed a- gainst

thee, and thou be de- liv-ered un- to death. But be thou wake-ful,

cry - ing, Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly! art

1st and 2nd endings

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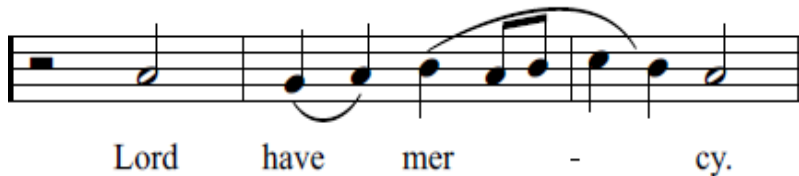
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## The Little Ektenia

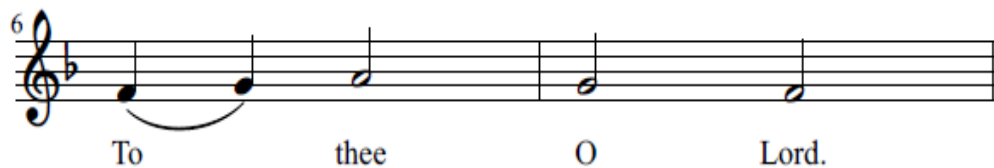
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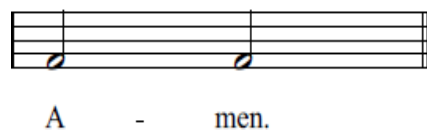
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**KATHISMATA**  
**Tone 4**

## Kazan


The Bride and the Groom

ren. mak - ing rea - dy our lamps that they may shine forth with vir -

tues and the Orth - o - dox Faith, that, like the wise vir -



gins of the Lord, we may be pre-pared to en - ter with



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And went oth to all an in-con- sum- ti- ble crown.

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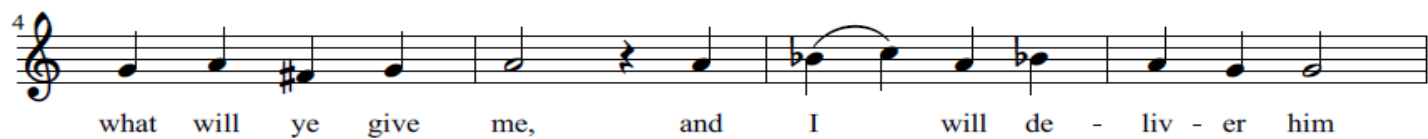


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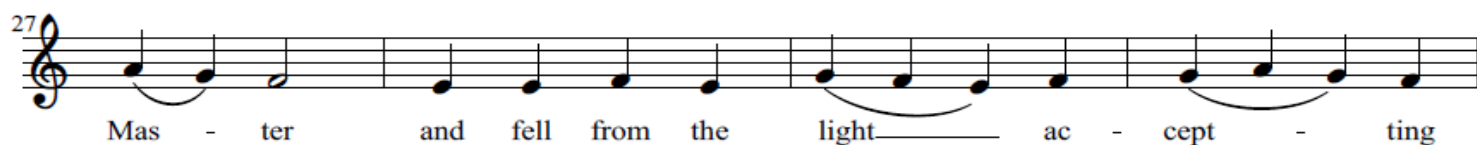
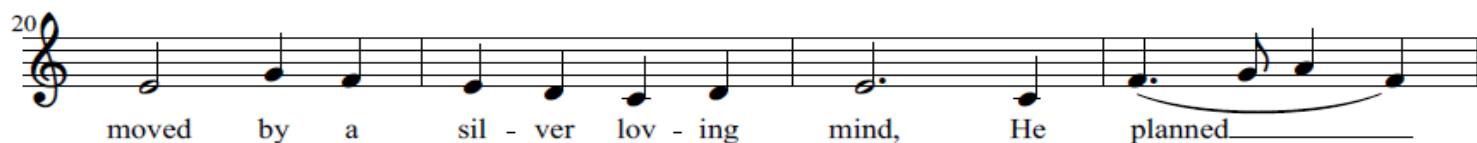
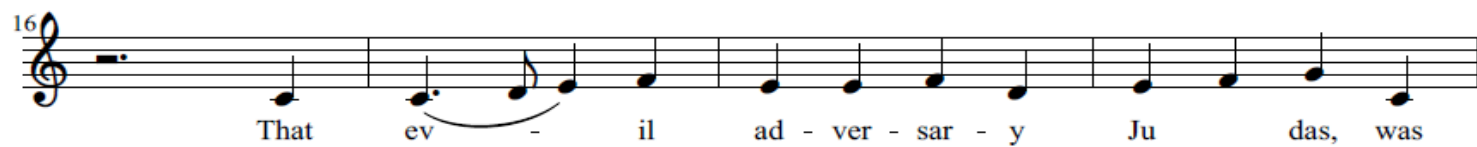
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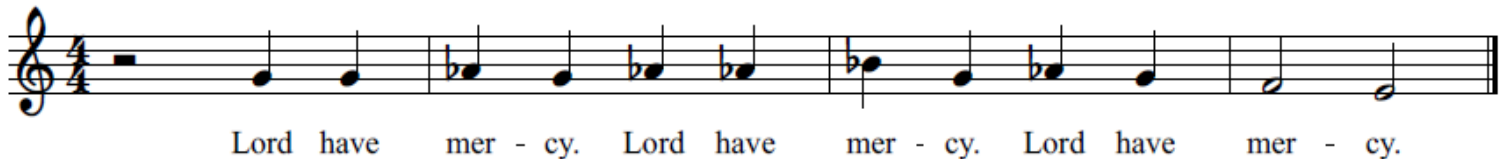
Reader: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.



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hang-ing and hor-ri-ble death  
hor-ri-ble death a re-ward of his  
deed. Save us there-fore O Christ from his com-pan  
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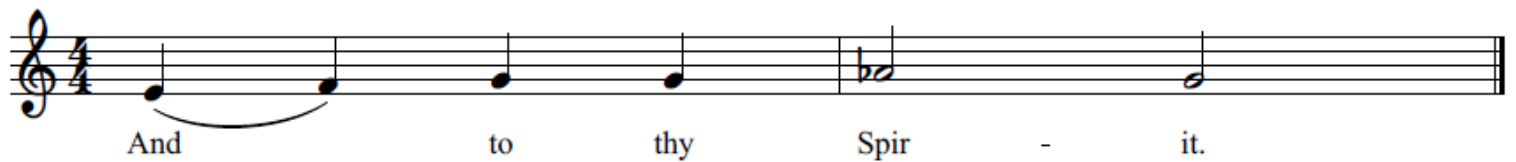
## THE GOSPEL

Deacon: And that we may be accounted worthy to hear the Holy Gospel, let us pray to the Lord God.

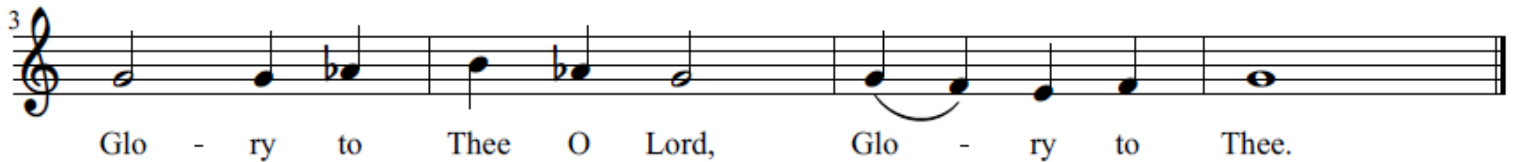


Deacon: Wisdom! Attend! Let us hear the Holy Gospel.

Priest: Peace be to all.

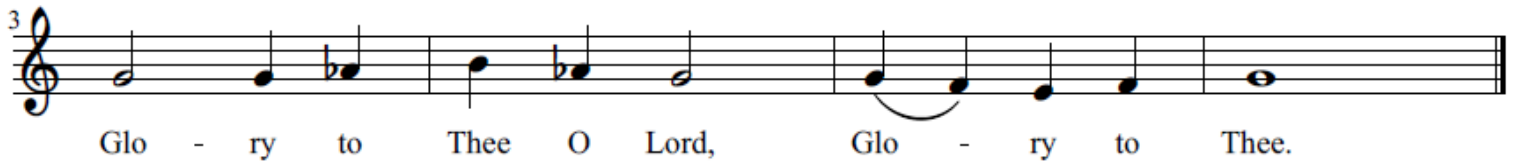


Priest: The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.



Deacon: Let us attend!

*(Gospel Reading)*



## PSALM 50

Reader: Have mercy on me, O God, according to Thy Great Mercy; and according to the multitude of Thy compassions blot out my transgression. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know mine iniquity, and my sin is ever before me. Against Thee only have I sinned and done this evil before Thee, that Thou mightest be justified in Thy words, and prevail when Thou art judged. For behold, I was conceived in iniquities, and in sins did my mother bear me. For behold, Thou hast loved truth; the hidden and secret things of Thy wisdom hast Thou made manifest unto me. Thou shalt sprinkle me with hyssop, and I shall be made clean; Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be made whiter than snow. Thou shalt make me to hear joy and gladness; the bones that be humbled, they shall rejoice. Turn Thy face away from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and with Thy governing Spirit establish me. I shall teach transgressors Thy ways, and the ungodly shall turn back unto Thee. Deliver

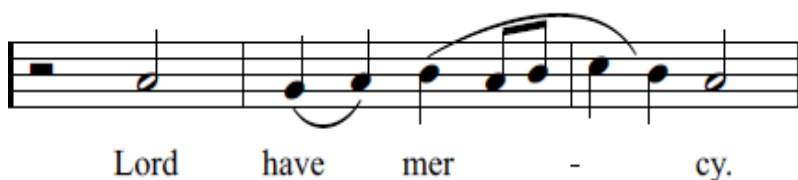
me from blood-guiltiness, O God, Thou God of my salvation; my tongue shall rejoice in Thy righteousness. O Lord, Thou shalt open my lips, and my mouth shall declare Thy praise. For if Thou hadst desired sacrifice, I had given it; with whole-burnt offerings Thou shalt not be pleased. A sacrifice unto God is a broken spirit; a heart that is broken and humbled God will not despise. Do good, O Lord, in Thy good pleasure unto Zion, and let the walls of Jerusalem be built up. Then shalt Thou be pleased with a sacrifice of righteousness, with oblation and whole-burnt offerings. Then shall they offer bullocks upon Thine altar.

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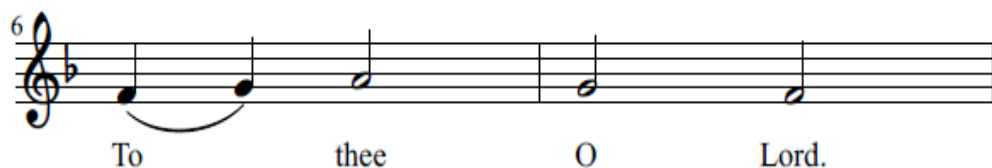
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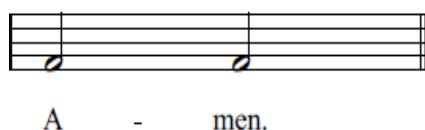
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## KONTAKION

Reader: O wretched soul, think of thy last hours. Be dismayed at the rebuking of the fig tree. Act, and double the talent given to thee with a fatigue-loving purpose. Awake, watching and crying out, lest we remain outside the chamber of Christ.

## OIKOS

O wretched soul, why art thou indifferent, and why dost thou vainly imagine unavailing ventures? Why dost thou direct thine energies to things about to be separated from what is here. Wherefore, while still thou hast time, listen, and cry, I have sinned, O Christ my Saviour; despise me not like the barren fig tree. But since thou art compassionate, have mercy upon me, who cry to thee in fear, lest I remain outside the chamber of Christ.



## GREAT HOLY TUESDAY SYNAXARION

On this day we make remembrance of the Parable of the Ten Virgins which Jesus spake along with others as he was coming to the Passion. It teaches us not to rest as though safe in virginity, but to guard it whenever possible, and not to desist from any virtues and good deeds, especially deeds of mercy, which make the lamp of virginity shine brilliantly. It teaches us also to be ready for our end, not knowing when our hour is coming, as the wise virgins were ready to meet the bride, lest death overtake us and close the door of the heavenly chamber in our face, and we hear the terrible judgment which the foolish virgins heard: Verily, verily, I know you not. (St. Mt. 25: 1-13)

Wherefore, O Christ the Bridegroom, number us with the wise virgins and have mercy upon us. Amen.

Ver - i - ly, the three up-right youths yield  
not to the com - mand of the u - sur - per when  
they were thrown in - to the fur - nace, but con - fessed  
God, sing - ing, Bless the Lord all ye his works.  
Let us cast in - dif - fer - ence a - way from us, and with  
spark - ling lamps and songs of praise let us wel - come Christ the  
Bride - groom who di - eth not, cry - ing, Bless the  
Lord, all - ye his works Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.  
Let there be suf - fi - cient of the oil of mer -



cy in our ves - sels lest we make the time of re-ceive-ing

pri - zes a time of bar - gan - ing; and let us sing,

Bless the Lord, all ye his works Both now and

ev - er and un - to a - ges of a - ges A - men.

O ye who have re-ceived the tal - ent from God make it dou-ble

with the help of Christ, who grant-eth e - qual grace, as ye

sing, Bless the Lord all ye his works.

We praise we bless and we wor - ship the Lord

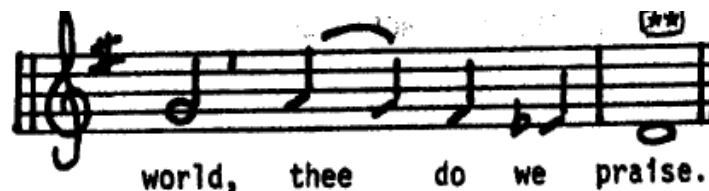
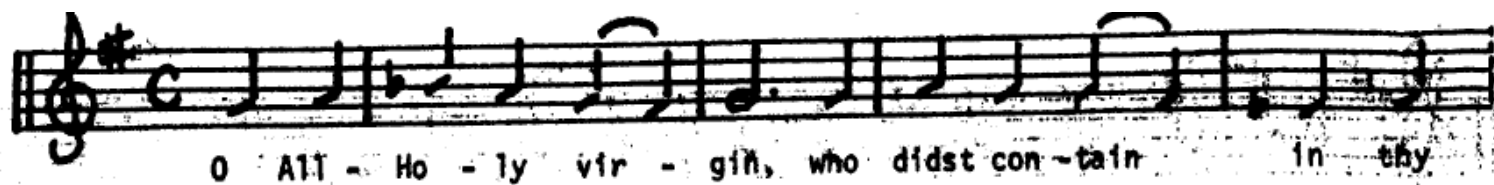
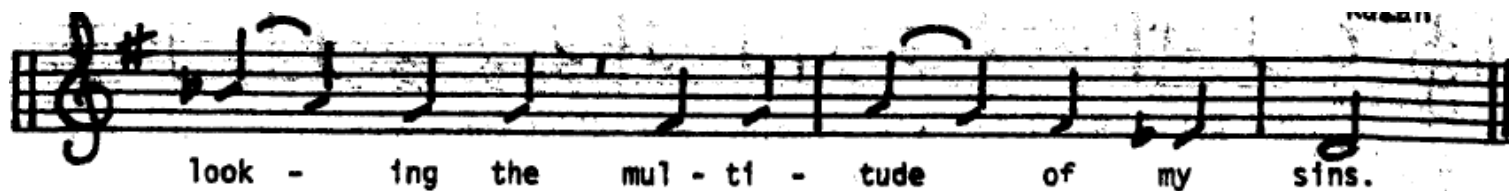
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Priest: The Theotokos and Mother of the Light, let us honor and magnify in song.

THE NINTH ODE - HERMOS

Kazan

O All - Ho - ly vir - gin, who didst con - tain in thy  
womb the un - con - tain - a - ble God, and bore joy un - to the  
world, thee do we praise. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and  
to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.  
Thou didst say to thy Dis - ci - ples, O good One,  
Watch; for ye know not the hour in which the Lord shall  
come to re - ward ev' - ry one. Both now and ev -  
er and un - to a - ges of a - ges, A - men.  
In thine awe - some Se - cond Come - ing, O Mas - ter,  
es - tab - lish me on thy right hand with the sheep o - ver

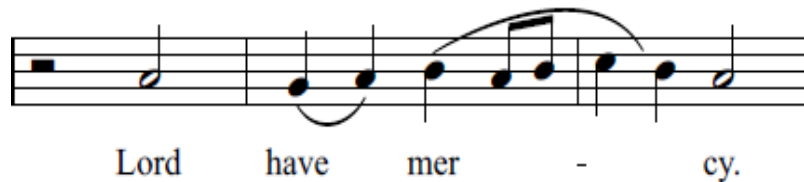


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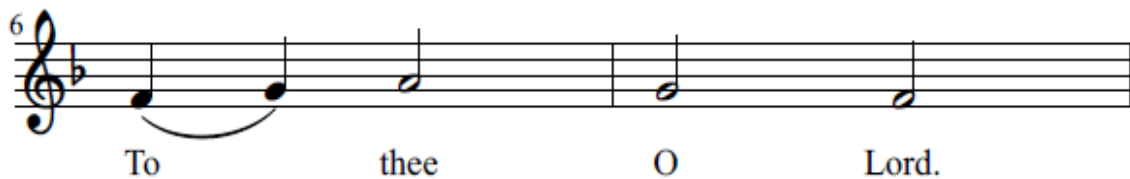
Deacon: Again and again, in peace, let us pray to the Lord.



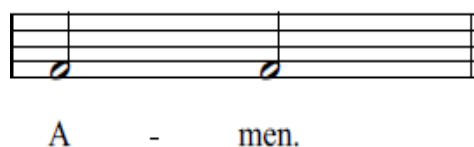
Deacon: Help us; save us; have mercy on us; and keep us, O God, by Thy grace.



Deacon: Calling to remembrance our all-holy, immaculate, most-blessed and glorious Lady Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the saints: let us commend ourselves and each other, and all our life unto Christ our God.



Priest: For all the powers of Heaven praise Thee, and unto thee we ascribe glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever and unto ages of ages.



# Exaposteilarion of the Bridegroom

Tone 3

I be - hold Thy Bri-dal cham - ber rich-ly a - dorned O my Sa -

5 iour; but I have no wed-ding gar - ment to wor - thi - ly en -

10 ter. Make ra - diant the gar - ment of my soul O Giv - er

15 of Light and save me.



(AINOI)

Tone 1 (Kazan)

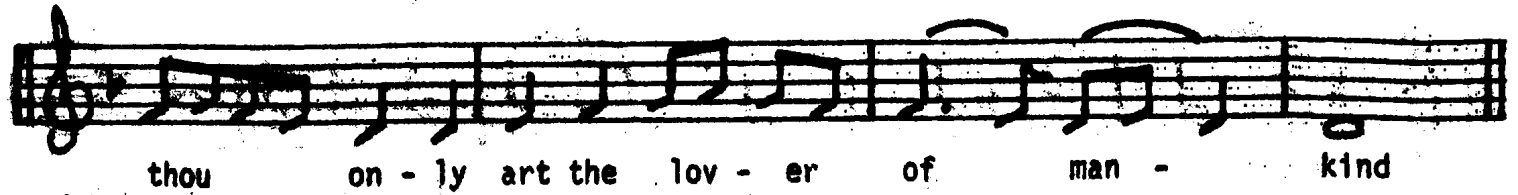
Let ev' - ry thing that hath breath  
praise the Lord  
praise ye the Lord from the  
Hea vens praise him  
in the heights to thee O  
God is due our song.  
praise ye him all his an -  
gels praise ye him all his hosts to  
thee O God is due  
our song

## VERSE

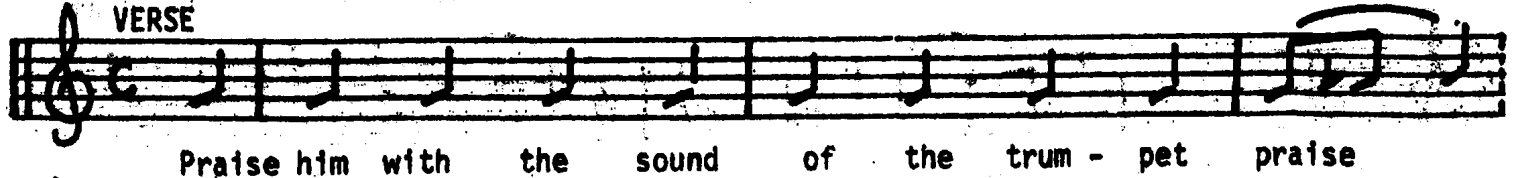


## IDIOMELON Tone 1

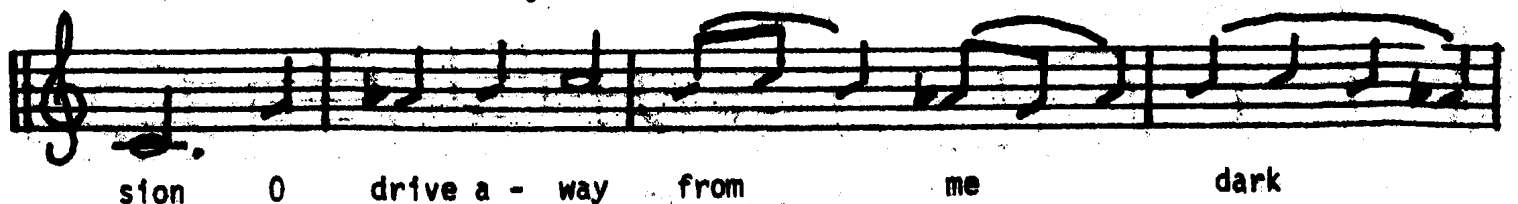
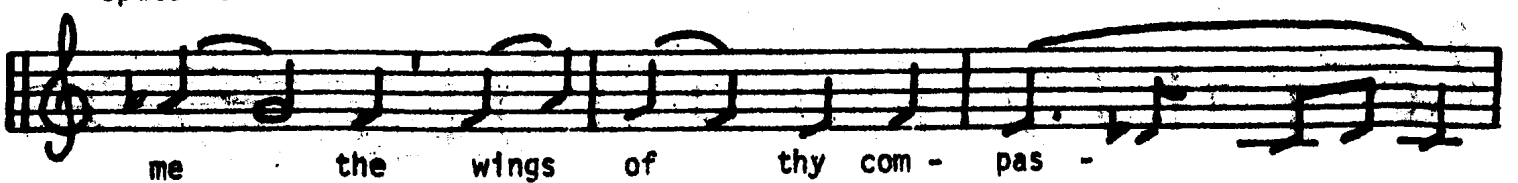
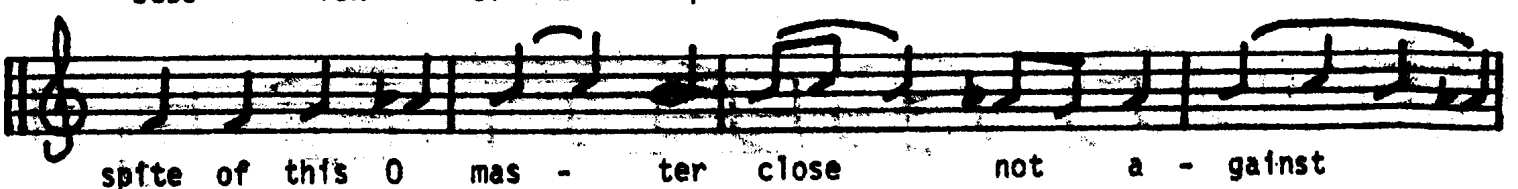
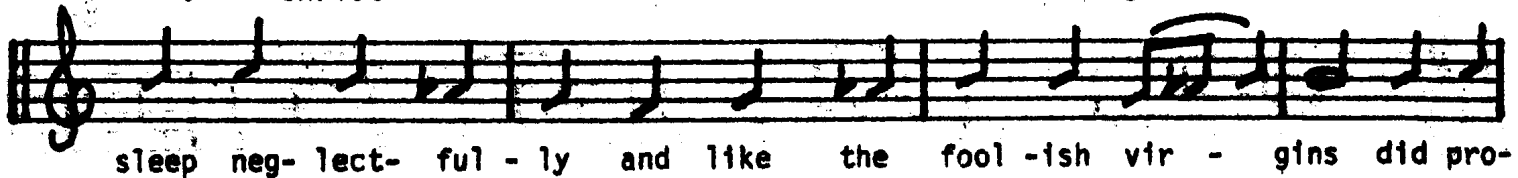




## VERSE



## IDIOMELON Tone 2



sleep wa - ken me and bring me in - to thy cham -

ber with the wise vir - gins where is the song of the

un - de - filed and pure feast - ers and of those who

cry cease-less- ly glo - ry be to thee O Lord.

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and to the Son and

to the Ho - ly - Spir - it

Both now and ev - er and un - to a -

ges of a - ges A - men

Hav - ing heard of the judge - ment of

him who bur - ied the tal - ent O my soul

IDIOMELA HYMNS  
Kazan

hide thou not the word of God, but pro-  
claim his won - ders that thou  
may in - crease the gift two - fold and en - ter in  
to the joy of thy Lord

**Readers:**

Thine is the glory, O Lord our God, and unto thee we ascribe glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will among men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory.

O Lord, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty; O Lord, the Only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; and the Holy Spirit.

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For thou only art holy, thou only art the Lord, O Jesus Christ, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Every day will I bless thee, and I will praise thy Name forever, yea, forever and ever.

Lord, thou hast been our refuge in all generations. I said: Be merciful unto me; heal my soul for I have sinned against thee.

Lord, I have fled unto thee: teach me to do thy will, for thou art my God.

For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light.

O continue thy Loving-kindness unto them that know thee.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.

Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our Fathers, and praised and glorified is thy Name forever. Amen.

Let thy mercy be upon us, O Lord, even as we have set

our hope on thee.

Blessed art thou, O Lord, teach me thy statutes.

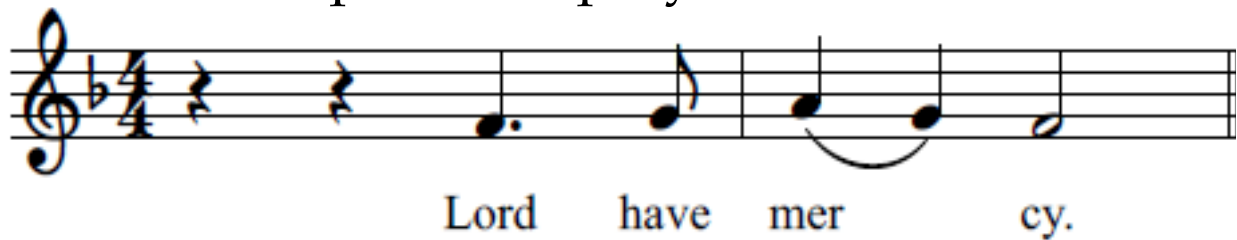
Blessed art thou, O Master, make me to understand thy commandments.

Blessed art thou, O Holy One, enlighten me with thy precepts.

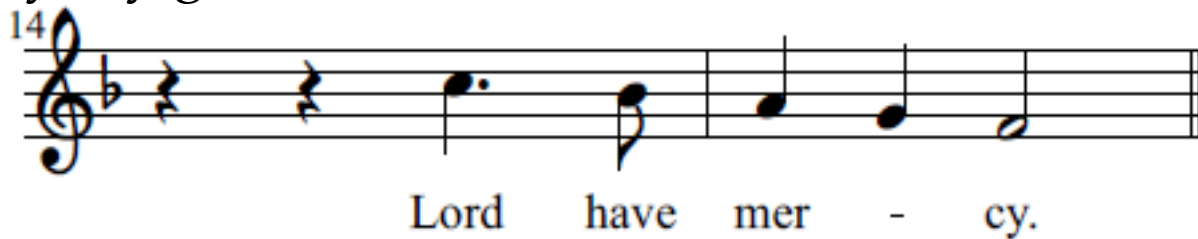
Thy mercy, O Lord, endureth forever; O despise not the works of thy hands. To thee belongeth worship, to thee belongeth praise, to thee belongeth glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.



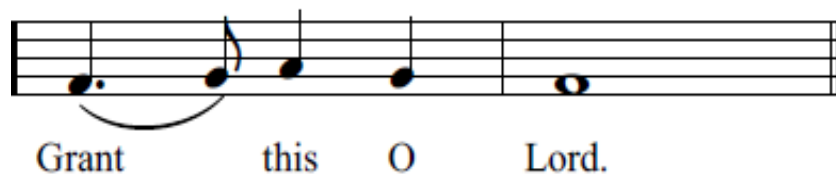
**Priest:** Let us complete our prayer unto the Lord.



**Priest:** Help us; save us; have mercy on us; and keep us. O God, by thy grace.



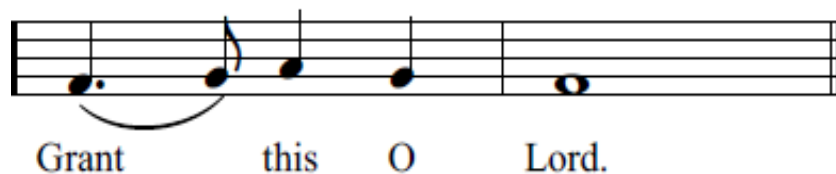
**Priest:** That the whole evening may be perfect, holy, peaceful, and sinless, let us ask of the Lord.



**Priest:** An angel of peace, a faithful guide, a guardian of our souls and bodies, let us ask of the Lord.



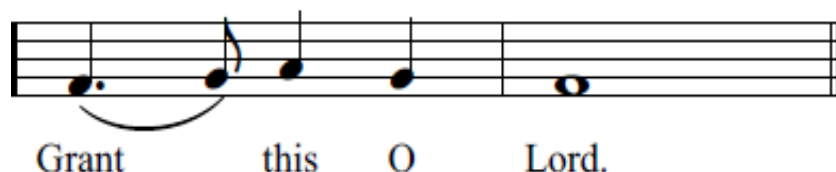
**Priest:** Pardon and remission of our sins and transgressions, let us ask of the Lord.



**Priest:**All things good and profitable for our souls and peace for the world, let us ask of the Lord.



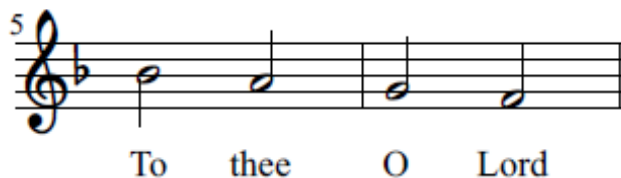
**Priest:**That we may complete the remaining time of our life in peace and repentance, let us ask of the Lord.



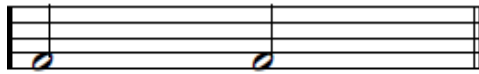
**Priest:**A Christian ending to our life, painless, blameless, peaceful; and a good defense before the dread judgment Seat of Christ, let us ask of the Lord.



**Priest:**Calling to remembrance our all-holy, Immaculate, most blessed and glorious Lady Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, with all the Saints, let us commend ourselves and each other, and all our life unto Christ our God.



**Priest:**For thou art the God of mercies and of bounties, and of love toward mankind, and unto thee we ascribe glory: to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages.



A - men

**Priest:**Peace be to all.



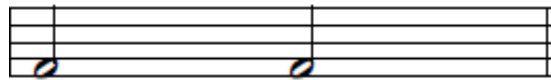
And with thy Spir - it

**Priest:** Bow your heads unto the Lord.



To thee O Lord.

**Priest:**For thine it is to show mercy and to save us, O our, and God, and unto thee we ascribe glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: now and ever and unto ages of ages.



A - men

APOSTICHA (IDIOMELON)  
Tone 6

Kazan

Come, ye be - lie - vers, let us work  
del - i - gent - ly for the Mas - ter, for  
he dis - tri - butes wealth un - to his ser -  
vants, let each of us ac - cor - ding to  
his a - bil - i - ty, in - crease the gift of  
grace two - fold. Let one be a -  
dorned with wis - dom a - cor - ding to his  
good deeds, a - no - ther ac - com - plish a  
ser - vice with splen - dor; let one  
preach to the un - en - light - end in word and faith

APOSTICHA (IDIOMELON)  
Tone 6 Kazan

a - noth - er dis - tri - bute trea - sure un - to  
the poor; for thus shall we in - crease the loan two -  
fold, as faith - ful a - gents of the grace, and be wor - thy  
of the joy of the Mas - ter. where - fore O  
Christ our God, pre - pare us for  
this since thou a - lone art the lov - er  
of man - kind. **STICHOS** We are filled in  
the morn - ing with thy mer - cy  
When thou com - est in glo - ry with the an - gel - ic hosts  
O Je - sus and sit - test on the throne of

judge - ment, sep - a - rate me not from the ways of thy  
 right - hand; for thou know-est that the ways of the  
 left are crook - ed. And des - troy me not a - mong the  
 goats, a hard - ened sin - er, but num - ber me  
 with the sheep on thy right hand and save me; for  
 thou art the lov - er of man - kind.  
 STICHOS  
 And let the bright-ness of the Lord our God be up -  
 on us. O Bride - groom  
 bril - liant in thy beau - ty a - bove all man - kind who didst  
 call us to the spir - i - tu - al ban - quet of thy

cham - ber, cast a - way from me the like-ness of the  
 rags of in - qui - ty, by part - i - ci -  
 pa - tion in thy pas - sion and a - dorn me  
 with the robe of thy beau - ty and dis -  
 tin - guish me as a bril - liant guest in thy king -  
 dom for thou on - ly art com - pas - sion - ate.  
 Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and to the Son  
 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it, Both now and  
 ev - er and un - to a - ges of a - ges A -  
 men. Be - hold the Mas - ter en - trust -



eth thee with the gift of a ta-lent O my soul.

Where-fore, re-ceive thou the gift with fear. Lend to the giv-

er and ren-der con-so-la-tion to the poor ob-tain the

Lord as a friend that thou may stand on his right hand when

he comes in glo-ry and that thou may

hear that most bless-ed voice en-ter thou

O ser-vant in-to the joy of

thy Lord, pre-pare me a prod-i-gal for this O

Sa-viour for the mul-ti-tude of the

mer-cies



Priest: It is a good thing to confess unto the Lord, to sing praises to thy name, O Most High, to show forth thy mercy in the morning and thy truth by night.

### THE TRISAGION PRAYERS

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.(thrice)

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages.  
Amen.*

All-holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord, cleanse us from our sins. Master, pardon our iniquities. Holy God, visit and heal our infirmities for Thy Name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. (THRICE)

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages.  
Amen.*

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

Priest: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory: of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen. (Choir continues)

### KONTAKION

O wretched soul, think of thy last hours. Be dismayed at the rebuking of the fig tree. Act, and double the talent given to thee with a fatigue-loving purpose. Awake, watching and crying out, lest we remain outside the chamber of Christ.

Lord have mercy ( 40 times)

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

More honorable than the Cherubim and more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim, thou who without stain bearest God the Word and art truly Theotokos: We magnify thee.

Bless, Father, in the name of the Lord.

Priest: Christ our God, the Existing One, is blessed, always; now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

Reader: Amen.

Reader: O Heavenly King, strengthen our civil authorities, establish the Faith, pacify the nations, give peace to the world, protect this city, place our departed fathers and brethren in the dwellings of the just, and of thy goodness and mercy, receive us also who come to thee with penitence and thanksgiving.

### PRAYER OF ST. EPHRAIM THE SYRIAN

O Lord and Master of my life, take from me the spirit of sloth, meddling, lust of power and idle talk. ( prostration)

But give rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience, and love to thy servant. ( prostration)

Yea, O Lord and King, grant me to see my own sins and not to judge my brother, for thou art blessed unto ages of ages.

Amen. (prostration)

## PRAYERS BEFORE THE HOLY DOORS

Priest: Glory to thee, O Christ our God and our Hope, glory to thee.

Choir: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Lord have mercy. (thrice)

Father bless.

## THE LITTLE DISMISSAL

Priest: May He who is going to his voluntary passion for our salvation, Christ our true God, through the intercessions of his all-immaculate and all-blameless holy Mother; at the supplications of the honorable, glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John; of the all-laudable Apostle Thomas, of the holy and righteous ancestors of God Joachim and Anna; and of all the Saints: have mercy on us and save us forasmuch as he is good and loveth mankind.

Through the prayers of the Holy Fathers, O Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy on us and save us.

Choir: Amen.